

**Wildlife and Boat Committee Meeting  
Board of Game and Inland Fisheries  
Board Room, 4000 West Board Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23230**

**December 6, 2010**

**Present:** Mr. F. Scott Reed, Committee Chairman, Mr. Leon O. Turner, Sr., Ms. Lisa Caruso and Mr. Curtis Dixon Colgate; **Executive Director:** Mr. Robert "Bob" W. Duncan; **Senior Leadership Team:** Mr. David Whitehurst, Mr. Charlie Sledd, Mr. Gary Martel, Mr. Larry Hart, Dr. Joice Conyers and Colonel Dee Watts.

[\(Listen: Call to Order and Welcome\)](#)

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00am and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chairman noted for the record that a quorum was present for the meeting. The Chairman also thanked Mr. Colgate and Ms. Jenny West for their attendance at the meeting.

**Approval of the July 27, 2010 Meeting Minutes:** [\(Listen\)](#) The Chairman called for a motion to approve the July 27, 2010 minutes as presented. Motion Seconded by Ms. Caruso. Ayes: Caruso and Reed. Mr. Turner abstained from the vote.

**Results of the 2010 Virginia Broadcasters Association Partnership:** [\(Listen\)](#) The Chairman called upon Mr. Charlie Sledd to present the results of the 2010 Virginia Broadcasters Association Partnership. Mr. Sledd presented the results and distributed a copy to each Committee Member for their review and comment. The video used in this partnership was also viewed by the Committee and Mr. Sledd presented each member with a copy.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Sledd for his presentation.

**Public Access on Private Lands Program:** [\(Listen\)](#) The Chairman called upon Mr. Bob Ellis to provide the Committee with an update on the Public Access on Private Lands Program.

Mr. Ellis presented information on the Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Program (VPA-HIP) that provides grants to State and tribal governments to encourage owners and operators of privately held farm, ranch, and forest land to voluntarily make land available for public access for wildlife-dependent recreation, including hunting or fishing under a program administered by States and tribal governments.

Mr. Ellis presented 3 ideas that may be used in considering an application for the grant: Elk Restocking; Agri-tourism and/or Quail Action Improvements and LIP/Program/Shoreline Access.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Ellis for his presentation.

**Wildlife Management Area Issues:** [\(Listen\)](#) The Chairman called on Mr. Rick Bush to present information on the Wildlife Management Areas. Mr. Bush provided the Committee with updates on the WMA Survey and the Timber Harvest.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Bush for his report.

**Wildlife Division Updates:** The Chairman called on Mr. Ellis and the Wildlife Resources Bureau staff to present updates to the Committee.

The Committee received the following updates from the Wildlife Resources Bureau Staff:

- Hunting and Trapping Issues ([Listen](#))
- Bear Plan Revision ([Listen](#) | [View Presentation](#))
- Elk Restoration Initiative ([Listen](#) | [View Presentation](#))
- Quail Plan ([Listen](#) | [View Presentation](#)).

The Chairman thanked the staff for their presentations. Following these presentations, the Chairman called for a 5 minute break.

**Director's Comments/Other Business:** ([Listen](#)) The Chairman called on the Executive Director for his remarks.

The Director thanked Colonel Watts and his officers who attended the funeral service for a Pennsylvania CPO killed in the line of Duty. The Committee and Director commended Colonel Watts and his officers for their professionalism in handling the hunting incident in Nelson County.

The Director called on Mr. Jay Jeffries to report on the Friends of Short Hills public meeting.

The Director reported on the NoVA Deer Summit and the Lyme Disease Meetings held in November.

The Director called on Mr. David Whitehurst to report on issues regarding Back Bay and the blue catfish.

The Chairman thanked the Director for his report.

**Next Meeting Date:** ([Listen](#)) The Chairman stated the proposed Committee Meeting Schedule for 2011 has been distributed for review and discussion. The Chairman called for the motion to approve the schedule as presented. Ms. Caruso made the following motion: Mr. Chairman I move the schedule be approved as presented. Motion Seconded by Mr. Turner. Ayes: Caruso, Reed and Turner.

The approved 2011 meeting dates are: February 9, April 13th and June 27th. All meetings will begin at 10:00am and will be held in the Board Room of the 4000 Building.

**Chairman's Remarks:** ([Listen](#)) The Chairman thanked the Committee Members, Director and staff for their attendance at today's meeting. The Chairman encouraged the

Committee and staff to contact him for any future items they would like to discuss during future meetings.

[\(Listen: Adjournment\)](#)

The Chairman called for any additional business of the Committee. Hearing none the Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Caruso made the following motion: Mr. Chairman, I hereby move the meeting be adjourned. Motion Seconded by Mr. Reed. Ayes: Reed, Caruso, Turner.

Respectfully submitted

Beth B. Drewery, Board Secretary  
Board of Game and Inland Fisheries